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Dear Sir or Madam:

Pursuant to Applicant's duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §§1.56 and 1.97-1.99, the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 are being brought to the attention of the Examiner in charge of the captioned application.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to initial in the space adjacent to the listing of each documents on Form PTO-1449, and return a copy of the initialed Form PTO-1449 with the next communication to Applicant, to confirm that these documents have been considered by the Examiner and made of record in this application.

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If the Examiner has any questions or wishes to discuss this application, kindly telephone the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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